RE: R[illegible] of Hoover's personal and confidential files. MD 11/1[illegible]/75

[illegible] today's Post carries a correction box that makes little sense except if one imagines what is not said in reporting that Halperin did not get these files "in connection with his lawsuit." Nor does the correction say the story appeared in some editions only. It was not in our's. Lil just rechecked. I am interested in this, in general, in FOIA corrections and in special connection with his files on WC "critics." I'm sure that the files themselves were not released. They were large after the destructions. I'm sure that what was released is masked to virtual meaninglessness. This may have future FOIA/PA value if true. So may the form of the release, which I think we should try to obtain. If Halperin got it Scott or another of the students will get xeroxes for us. I would like to see all the press treatment possible as well as what was released. Electronic reports indicate heaviness on sex, all kinds. I'd be surprised if this were not true of drinking and other non-Victorian conduct. But this is blackmail material. I'm more interested in what is probably only a little of the political operations of which blackmail is only part. I regard it as certain that his files contained records on all who criticized him of the FBI. Remember, he "answered" WW II before the printer had a copy. His press office promised me a copy of his release and then would not send it. You had to use FOIA years later to get one. Remember that when I complained to Mitchell about FBI Cointelpro operations against me he referred it to Hoover, when thereafter remained totally silent. And mine is the only book with explicit criticism of the FBI in the title. There have been personal phone calls and calls to talk shows that are Cointelpro-like, to me and to Lil when I was away and nobody supposedly knew it, calls asking her is she was not afraid when I was away. My daring to sue him should have been more than enough. Had anyone done it before I did? I am saying that regardless of what was released I have to have been in his special-hate files beginning not later than my efforts to get WW printed....Do not take any real time on this now but try to keep it in mind. My immediate purpose is to try to see all that is printed (some reporters may have obtained amplifications or interpretations from their own sources) and to obtain the stuff they did let out so I can study it.

My copier won't copy. I did not make a carbon to keep with this file on Hoover's papers. Please return this for that purpose. Thanks. I'd like every word you see.